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Dear Sir:

In accordance with Rule 1.56, References AA-AJ and AL-AN listed on the attached Form PTO-1449 were cited during prosecution of the patent applications listed below, which are relied upon for an earlier filing date under 35 U.S.C. 120:

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and are brought to the attention of the Examiner as possibly being material to examination of the subject application.

Copies of these references are not enclosed as they are contained in the file of the related parent applications.

Form PTO-1449 (1 page) is enclosed.

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